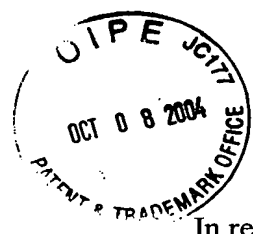


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**PATENT APPLICATION**

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In re the Application of

Yoshitaka SASAKI et al.

Group Art Unit: 2652

Application No.: 10/057,946

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For: THIN-FILM MAGNETIC HEAD AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING SAME,  
AND SLIDER OF THIN-FILM MAGNETIC HEAD AND METHOD OF  
MANUFACTURING SAME

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In reply to the July 8, 2004 Office Action, please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims; and

**Remarks.**